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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICATION OF)
GERHARD WÖTTING ET AL)
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/529,680) EXAMINING GROUP NO.: 1755
FILED: APRIL 17, 2000) EXAMINER: KARL E. GROUP
TITLE: SILICON NITRIDE SUBSTANCES) RESPONSE TO PAPER NO.
CONTAINING SINTERING) 20041017
ADDITIVES AND SiO₂, METHOD)
FOR PRODUCING THEM AND)
USE OF THE SAME)

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 20, 2004 from the Examiner in charge of the subject application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted for consideration. This amendment is being filed as a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c), and is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination in the present case under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 along with the fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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